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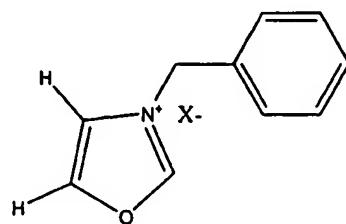
FOR : METHODS FOR TREATING FIBROTIC DISEASES OR OTHER INDICATIONS ID

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RESPONSE TO SUPPLEMENTAL RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction and Species Election Requirement mailed on November 14, 2003, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-7 and 9 (renumbered), drawn to a compound and pharmaceutical compositions thereof, classified in class 548, subclass 215+.

In response to the species election presented in Paragraph 4 of the Restriction Requirement (Page 3), Applicants elect the species 3-benzyl-oxazol-3-ium:



Applicants respectfully traverse the requirement and note that the election of species is made for the purpose of examination of the claims only and that applicants maintain the right to have the full scope of the claims, as written, examined on the merits.

As a sub-generic species, Applicants elect a compound of Formula II, wherein R₁ and R₂ are hydrogen (Paragraph 1 of the claim):

